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SUBJECT: SOVIET TREATMENT OF ME

1. SUMMARY: SOVIET PRESS OVER HOLIDAY PERIOD
(NOVEMBER 7-9) CHARACTERIZES ME FRONT LINE SITUATION
AS TENSE. BREZHNEV GIVES SUPPORT TO USE OF OIL FOR
POLITICAL ENDS IN MEETING WITH IRAQI CP LEADER.
SECRETARY'S VISITS TO ME CAPITALS RECEIVES BRIEF
TREATMENT, AND DECISION OF U.S. AND EGYPT TO RESUME
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IS ANNOUNCED. END SUMMARY.

2. SOVIET PRESS CHANGED ITS CHARACTERIZATION OF
ME SITUATION FROM ONE OF RELATIVE CALM (PRAVDA
NOVEMBER 6) TO ONE OF TENSION (PRAVDA NOVEMBER 7-9).
SUMMARY REPORTS FROM AREA BLAME TENSE SITUATION ON
ISRAELI "PROVOCATIONS" AND ISRAEL'S REFUSAL TO WITHDRAW
TO OCTOBER 22 LINES. PRAVDA NOVEMBER 9 REPORTS EGYPTIAN
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GENERAL MUKHTAR'S CONDEMNATION OF ISRAELI RECONNAISSANCE

FLIGHTS OVER EGYPTIAN LINES AND STATEMENT THAT ISRAEL IS BREAKING AGREEMENT REACHED UNDER RED CROSS AUSPICES. UN REPRESENTATIVE IN CAIRO IS ALSO CITED AS SAYING UN HAS RECEIVED NO ANSWER FROM ISRAEL TO UN CALL FOR ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL TO OCTOBER 22 LINES.

3. FIRST DIRECT LEADERSHIP STATEMENT ENDORSING ARAB USE OF OIL FOR POLITICAL ENDS APPEARS NOVEMBER 9 IN COMMUNIQUE ON BREZHNEV MEETING WITH IRAQI CP LEADER MUHAMMED. ACCORDING TO REPORT, BREZHNEV EXPRESSED HIGH EVALUATION OF IRAQI SUPPORT FOR ARAB CAUSE AND "USE BY IRAQ OF ITS OIL RESOURCES IN THE INTERESTS OF INDEPENDENT DEVELOPMENT AND IN INCREASING EFFECTIVENESS OF THE ARAB STRUGGLE AGAINST AGRESSION AND FOREIGN MONOPOLIES."

4. IN WHAT MAY BE CURTAILED REPORTING DURING HOLIDAY PERIOD PRESS GIVES SCANT COVERAGE TO U.S. DIPLOMATIC MOVES ON ME. OCTOBER 8 PRAVDA CARRIES BRIEF NOVEMBER 7 TASS ITEM ANNOUNCING BEGINNING OF SECRETARY'S TALKS IN CAIRO. ALSO REPORTED IS U.S. - EGYPTIAN ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENTION TO RESUME DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. WHICH PRESS BRACKETS WITH ARTICLE STRESSING STRENGTH OF SOVIET-ARAB TIES. PRESS DOES NOT MENTION COMPLETION OF SECRETARY'S VISITS TO TUNISIA AND JORDAN NOR DOES IT REPORT OPTIMISTIC STATEMENTS BY SECRETARY AND SADAT ON ME PEACE. ASSISTANT SECRETARY SISCO'S VISIT IN TEL AVIV IS ALSO IGNORED.
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